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## **AMENDMENTS**

In The Claims:

Please amend the claims as follows.

- 1 23. (Previously presented) A communication system comprising:
- 2 (a) a hub for communicating at least one first signal and at least one second signal,
- 3 converting the first signal into a radio frequency with an appropriate format and
- 4 transmitting the first signal to conductive elements via an exciter;
- 5 (b) a probe for receiving the first signal, converting the first signal into the second
- signal and transmitting the second signal to the hub via the exciter;
- 7 wherein the conductive elements are conductive members selected from a
- 8 conductive frameworks, electrical wires, metal walls or any combination thereof; and
- 9 the conductive elements receive the second signal from the probe and transmit the
- second signal to the exciter.
- 1 24. (Currently amended) The system recited in claim 23, wherein the hub includes at least
- one of a diplexer, a power amplifier, a transmitter, a receiver, a frequency converter, a modem, a
- 3 security controller, and a network processor.
- 1 25. (Currently amended) The system recited in claim 24, wherein the security controller
- 2 processes signals from a camera or another hub comprising a receiver and a transmitter.
- 1 26. (Currently amended) The system recited in claim 23, wherein at least one of the first
- 2 signal and the second signal are at a radio frequency between 0.5-100 MHz.

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1 27. (Currently amended) The system recited in claim 23, wherein at least one of the first

- 2 signal and the second signal includes information from at least one of a satellite television, a
- 3 cable television, an Internet provider, a computing device, a phone provider, a DVD player, a
- 4 computer, a television, DSL, and LAN.
- 1 28. (Currently amended) The system recited in claim 23, wherein the hub is connected to
- 2 another hub by a hard wire or wirelessly.
- 1 29. (Currently amended) A communication method comprising the steps of:
- 2 (a) communicating at least one first signal and at least one second signal, converting
- 3 the first signal into a radio frequency with an appropriate format and transmitting the first
- 4 signal to conductive elements via an exciter by a hub;
- 5 (b) allowing a probe to receiving the first signal, to convert the first signal into the
- second signal and to transmit the second signal to the hub via the exciter;
- 7 wherein the conductive elements are conductive members selected from a
- 8 conductive frameworks, electrical wires, metal walls or any combination thereof; and
- 9 the conductive elements receive the second signal from the probe and transmit the
- second signal to the exciter.
- 1 30. (Currently amended) The method recited in claim 29, wherein the hub includes at least
- one of a diplexer, a power amplifier, a transmitter, a receiver, a frequency converter, a modem, a
- 3 security controller, and a network processor.

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1 31. (Currently amended) The method recited in claim 30, wherein the security controller

2 processes signals from a camera or another hub comprising a receiver and a transmitter.

1 32. (Currently amended) The method recited in claim 29, wherein at least one of the first

2 signal and the second signal is at a radio frequency between 0.5-100 MHz.

1 33. (Currently amended) The method recited in claim 29, wherein at least one of the first

signal and the second signal includes information from at least one of a satellite television, a

3 cable television, an Internet provider, a computing device, a phone provider, a DVD player, a

4 computer, a television, DSL, and LAN.

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1 34. (Currently amended) The method recited in claim 29, wherein the hub is connected to

another hub by a hard wire or wirelessly.

1 35. (Currently amended) A hub utilizing for a communication system,

wherein the hub for communicating at least one first signal and at least one second

signal, converting the first signal into a radio frequency with an appropriate format and

transmitting the first signal to conductive elements via an exciter;

5 wherein the communication system includes a probe for receiving the first signal,

converting the first signal into the second signal and transmitting the second signal to

the hub via the exciter;

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wherein the conductive elements are conductive members selected from a conductive frameworks, electrical wires, metal walls or any combination thereof; and

the conductive elements receive the second signal from the probe and transmit the

second signal to the exciter.

- 1 36. (Currently amended) The hub recited in claim 35, wherein the hub includes at least one
- of a diplexer, a power amplifier, a transmitter, a receiver, a frequency converter, a modem, a
- 3 security controller, and a network processor.
- 1 37. (Currently amended) The hub recited in claim 36, wherein the security controller
- 2 processes signals from a camera or another hub comprising a receiver and a transmitter.
- 1 38. (Currently amended) The hub recited in claim 35, wherein at least one of the first signal
- and the second signal is at a radio frequency between 0.5-100 MHz.
- 1 39. (Currently amended) The hub recited in claim 35, wherein at least one of the first signal
- 2 and the second signal includes information from at least one of a satellite television, a cable
- 3 television, an Internet provider, a computing device, a phone provider, a DVD player, a
- 4 computer, a television, DSL, and LAN.
- 1 40. (Currently amended) The hub recited in claim 35, wherein the hub is connected to
- another hub by a hard wire or wirelessly.